



# HARROGATE LADIES' COLLEGE

Independent Day and Boarding School  
for Girls Aged 11 to 18

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WE CREATE IT”**

**GRACE CATON**, FORMER HEAD GIRL NOW  
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ROYAL NORTHERN COLLEGE OF MUSIC

2021 SCHOLARSHIPS AND  
BURSARIES INFORMATION

Since 1893



# SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES **YOUR CHANCE TO SHINE**

At Harrogate Ladies' College we are committed to celebrating and recognising individual excellence as well as widening access to our school.



We have a range of scholarships and bursaries available to potential pupils including:

Academic, Music, Choral, Art, Sport, Textiles and Drama Scholarships – for those with a specific talent

The College Scholar Programme – 110% of fees means tested scholarship for outstanding academic potential

Means Tested Bursaries up to 100%



In addition to individual talents, we are looking for something special in our scholars. We're looking for girls who embody our ethos of "a passion for learning and a love of life", who demonstrate grit and determination to succeed and who show an enthusiasm for inspiring and motivating others.

Our scholars are role models within College and they lead by example in their approach and their commitment to the whole learning community. (Scholars can be Day or Boarding pupils).

### Benefits of Being a Scholar

Being a scholar is, in itself, a great honour and our scholars are held in high esteem within our school community, but scholarships also carry a number of other benefits, including:

- > Discount on standard College Day fees of 5%
- > Extensive programme of scholars' events
- > Mentoring by a teacher or senior scholar
- > Annual scholars' dinner with the Principal

### Applications and Assessment

Scholarships are open to all girls joining College at Year 7, Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12. (Existing pupils can also apply in Year 9 or Year 11).

Scholarship applications are open during the Autumn Term in the year prior to joining, followed by assessments the following January. Awards are then announced at the end of January. We will consider scholarship applications outside of these timescales subject to availability.

To apply for a scholarship you will need to:

- > Submit a Scholarship Application Form (including a hand written statement by the applicant detailing why they believe they should be considered for a scholarship).
- > Provide details of the applicant's current school so that we can request a reference.

### Assessment for scholarships is based on the following:

#### Standard Entrance Assessment

All applicants are required to complete our standard Entrance Assessment. For Year 7 applicants this is made up of Verbal Reasoning, English & Maths papers and an interview. For Year 9, Year 10 and Year 12 applicants this involves English & Maths papers and an interview.

#### Scholarship Assessment

In addition to the above, scholarship applicants are also required to undertake a specific scholarship assessment. The scholarship assessment varies depending on the type of scholarship you would like to apply for. (Please refer to the subsequent pages for details of specific scholarship assessments).

## Overview of Scholarships Available

We have a range of scholarships available to recognise a wide range of exceptional talents. Candidates can apply for a maximum of 2 scholarships from the choice below. (Successful candidates will only be awarded one scholarship).

### > The College Scholar Programme

Our College Scholar programme is a means tested award for pupils from the North Yorkshire area who show exceptional academic ability and also qualify for 100% means tested bursary support.

Fee Remission	110% of day fees or boarding fees
Expectations	Attendance at Academic or College Scholar events. 1-2,000 word essay or equivalent presentation each year demonstrating new learning or research (e.g. book review, reflection on exhibition visited, new idea pursued, newspaper article discussed).
Assessment	Standard Entrance Assessment. General scholarship paper. Interview with the Principal. Means test assessment (see Financial Assistance section for further details).

### > Academic Scholarship

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	Attendance at Academic Scholar events. 1-2,000 word essay or equivalent presentation each year demonstrating new learning or research (e.g. book review, reflection on exhibition visited, new idea pursued, newspaper article discussed).
Assessment	Standard Entrance Assessment. General scholarship paper. (Pupils applying for scholarships to join Years 9, 10 and 12, can choose a Sciences paper or a Humanities paper in place of the General scholarship paper.) Interview with the Principal.

### > Art

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	Support of artistic projects and the work of the Art Department. Guidance and mentoring of peers and younger pupils.
Assessment	Standard Entrance Assessment. Art portfolio including drawing, painting and photography. (3D, creative textiles and print work can also be included). Interview with Head of Art to discuss your interest in Art and the work of particular artists. Short practical drawing exercise. Interview with the Principal.

### > Choral

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	Commitment to Gallery Choir (ages 9-13) and / or Chapel Choir (ages 14-18). (NB. Chapel Choir includes some Sundays throughout the academic year.) Provide guidance and mentoring to other pupils.
Assessment	Standard Entrance Assessment. Audition with the Director of Music. Perform two prepared songs in contrasting styles. Please bring relevant piano accompaniments. Sight reading, voice and musicianship tests. Interview with the Principal.

## > Drama

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	<p>Active participation in school plays and drama projects.</p> <p>Guidance and mentoring of peers and younger pupils.</p> <p>Demonstrate a positive and purposeful approach to curriculum Drama.</p>
Assessment	<p>Standard Entrance Assessment.</p> <p>Audition with the Head of Drama.</p> <p>2-3 minute solo audition piece of your choice, ideally performed by heart (NB. can be from any published play, poem or literature).</p> <p>Respond to spontaneous direction and demonstrate a passion for Drama.</p> <p>Interview with the Principal.</p>

## > Music

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	<p>Take a leading part in the musical life of College through active memberships of ensembles and choirs.</p> <p>Provide guidance and mentoring to other pupils.</p>
Assessment	<p>Standard Entrance Assessment.</p> <p>Audition with the Director of Music.</p> <p>Perform two prepared pieces on main instrument and one piece on any other instrument (or singing). Please bring all instruments to the assessment, along with the relevant piano accompaniments.</p> <p>Grade 4 or equivalent for Year 7 assessment in at least one instrument. (Grade 5 for Year 9 assessment and Grade 7 for Year 12 assessment).</p> <p>Sight reading and musicianship tests.</p> <p>Interview with the Principal.</p>

## > Sport

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	<p>Active participation in at least two of the College sports teams and other sporting activities.</p> <p>Guidance and mentoring of peers and younger pupils.</p>
Assessment	<p>Standard Entrance Assessment.</p> <p>Assessment with the Head of Sport.</p> <p>Range of skill tests.</p> <p>Netball skills and game.</p> <p>Swim.</p> <p>Assessment in any specific area of excellence.</p> <p>Interview with the Principal.</p>

## > Textiles

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
Expectations	<p>Support of artistic projects and the work of the Textiles Department.</p> <p>Guidance and mentoring of peers and younger pupils.</p> <p>Willingness to experiment with decorative techniques.</p>
Assessment	<p>Standard Entrance Assessment.</p> <p>Textiles portfolio including drawing, fashion drawing and painting. (3D, creative textiles and print work can also be included).</p> <p>Interview with Head of Textiles to discuss your interest in Textiles and the work of particular fashion and textiles designers.</p> <p>Short practical fashion drawing exercise.</p> <p>Interview with the Principal.</p>

## > Special Category

Fee Remission	5% of day fees
<p>Under exceptional circumstances, we will consider awarding a Special Category scholarship for a pupil who demonstrates an outstanding skill and level of achievement in an area not covered by one of our other scholarships.</p>	
Expectations	<p>Guidance and mentoring to other pupils with an interest in the specific area of excellence.</p> <p>Active participation and sharing of skill across the school community.</p>
Assessment	<p>Standard Entrance Assessment.</p> <p>Specialist assessment dependent on specific area of excellence.</p> <p>Interview with the Principal.</p>



## Bursaries & Financial Assistance

We are proud to be a socially and culturally diverse school community and we are committed to widening access to our schools to families who might not otherwise be able to fund a place.

Each year we provide financial assistance to a small number of families to help with school fees. This is in the form of means tested bursaries, which can be up to 100% (or 110% for College Scholars). The level of financial assistance awarded to each family is determined by individual financial circumstances taking into account both income and assets.

We don't set specific academic criteria to qualify for a bursary, but we are looking for pupils who are truly passionate about joining our school and who can demonstrate the potential to contribute amazing things to our school community.

We normally ask that bursary applications are submitted by the beginning of October of the year prior to joining. We will consider applications outside of these timescale subject to availability of bursary funds.

You can apply for a means tested Bursary alongside a Scholarship to supplement a Scholarship award.

### Spreading the Cost of Fees

In addition to bursary support, we also offer a direct debit scheme which enables families to spread the cost of school fees over 9 monthly payments.

### Applying for Financial Assistance

Applying for financial assistance is a confidential process undertaken directly with our Director of Finance. We aim to make the process as straight forward as possible:

- Step 1:** In the first instance, we ask that you contact our Director of Finance for an informal discussion about financial support and to register your interest in applying for a bursary.
- Step 2:** The next step is to complete our Means Tested Bursary Application form and we'll also arrange for you to meet with an independent financial assessor (meetings may take place virtually under the current circumstances). (Please try and provide as much information as possible, together with relevant supporting documentation).
- Step 3:** Bursary awards are officially confirmed when you receive an offer of a place at College. (Bursaries are reviewed annually.)

For a confidential discussion regarding financial assistance prior to application, please contact our Finance Director, Rebecca Henriksen on 01423 537074 or email [rebecca.henriksen@hlc.org.uk](mailto:rebecca.henriksen@hlc.org.uk).



## 2021 Scholarship & Bursary Application Dates

### Entry into Year 7 in September 2021:

<p><b>4 December 2020</b> Application deadline</p>	<p><b>w/c 11 January 2021</b> 11+ Scholarship Assessments</p>	<p><b>16 January 2021</b> 11+ Entrance Examinations (Subject to change in line with restrictions in place at the time)</p>	<p><b>w/c 1 February 2021</b> 11+ College Offers issued – including Scholarship and Bursary awards</p>	<p><b>1 March 2021</b> Deadline for acceptance of a place</p>
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### Entry into other Year Groups:

For girls joining College in Year 9 (13+), Year 10 (14+) and Year 12 (16+) the scholarship application and assessment process roughly follows the same timescales as outlined above, however Entrance Exams and Scholarship Assessments are arranged on an individual basis.

Means tested bursaries can be applied for in all year groups and we normally recommend applying for a Bursary by the beginning of October prior to the year of joining.



## Find out More and Request an Application Form

If you would like to find out more about our 2021 scholarship programme or to request a scholarship application form, please contact our Admissions Team on **01423 537045** or email **admissions@hlc.org.uk**.

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